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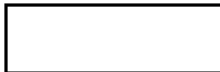
February 18, 1976

Dear John,

I fully understand your concern about the need to have separation between the Peace Corps and the Central Intelligence Agency.

In 1961 the CIA prohibited any operational use of members of the Peace Corps. This was but three months after the Peace Corps was established. This prohibition has been reaffirmed several times since then and I have no reason to believe that we have ever broken our own rule.

Most sincerely,



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